

REMARKS

In the subject Office Action, the examiner objected to Claim 4, provisionally rejected Claims 5-6 for double patenting, and rejected Claims 1, 4 and 8 under 35 USC 102(b). However, the examiner indicated that Claims 2, 3 and 7 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of base Claim 1. Applicants request reconsideration of their application in view of this response, which cancels Claims 4 and 7, and amends Claims 1, 2 and 6.

Rejected Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of allowable Claim 7 (now canceled), thereby rendering Claim 1 allowable, along with dependent Claims 2-3, 5-6 and 8. The amendment of Claim 1 necessitated a corresponding amendment of dependent Claim 2. Additionally, Dependent Claim 6 has been amended to depend from Claim 1 instead of Claim 5. Accordingly, Claims 1-3, 5-6 and 8 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and such allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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